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## TELEPHONE QUESTION

Councilmen Interviewing Business Men—Dual System Not Wanted.

A Vote May Be Taken In the Council Tonight on the Franchise Question

BOONEVILLE, IND., REJECTED OFFER

Dr. J. G. Brooks, councilman in the second ward, is today consulting the business men in his ward relative to the proposed dual telephone system that may result if the council sells another franchise.

Dr. Brooks is very conscientious in such matters, and says that he does not desire to vote in the council according to his own views, but to find out how those who use and rent telephones feel about it, and vote as they would wish.

He thinks the selling of another franchise might prove of more consequence than might appear, as it might result in a dual telephone system, and a dual telephone system might prove a nuisance and a detriment to good telephone service, and the council would thus be indirectly to blame for it.

He thinks all other councilmen should also consult their constituents. It is believed that the majority of the business men, from those who have already expressed an opinion, are opposed to the establishment of another system. One stated this morning that the rates were reasonable, the service was as good as that of any telephone system to be found and he was satisfied. He wanted no lower rates, for it would mean two telephones.

Along this line the following from the Booneville, Ind., Enquirer will prove of interest. It is proposed to establish two lines there, but the council first sent committees to Henderson and other places where there are two systems, and the rest is told thus by the Enquirer:

"At the meeting of the town board on the 2nd inst., the telephone franchise as asked for by H. G. Roetz and Messrs. Davenport and Taylor, were turned down. The board has had these franchises under consideration for some weeks, and made a thorough investigation of the merits of a dual telephone system, sending a committee to a city where two telephone systems were in operation. The result of this investigation was that two telephone companies in any town or city would not only be a nuisance, but would be a hardship on the business men of the town, where a dual telephone system is in operation; it costs the business men from two to three dollars more per month than the old company was charging before the so-called competition was placed in the field, this being brought about from the fact that the business men have to have the two telephones and pay for the two services. This is the experience in all the towns and cities where the dual telephone system is in all the towns and cities where the dual telephone system is in operation, that the telephone business is one that cannot be considered a competitive business, and telephone competition is no competition in the universal decision where investigated.

"The local manager of the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph company here, when asked if he did not consider the action of the council a victory for his company, answered: 'No; for this was a result gained by the careful investigation of business men, no fight being made on our part, other than to aid the committee, by stating to them where those dual telephone systems could be found. However, it is very gratifying to our company to know that we are doing business with a people that appreciate an enterprise that gives to the public value received for its money, and people that will go to the trouble to investigate its merits and give to us the benefit of the investigation.'

The telephone question will probably come up before the council tonight and be voted on.

MISS STONE WELL. Constantinople, Jan. 20.—Reliable news has been received here that Miss Ellen M. Stone, the captive American missionary, Mme. Talika, her companion, and the latter's baby are well. Negotiations which it is expected will result in the early and safe return of the captive are in progress. John G. A. Leshman, the American missionary here, is now directing the negotiations. He declines to say anything for publication, but admits there is ground for the above report.

OFFICER'S TOE DISLOCATED

Officer Tom Orr was off duty yesterday suffering from a dislocated toe. Last week he let a sewing machine fall on his foot and did not know at the time that the toe had been dislocated. The foot swelled and he soon was in such a bad fix that walking was impossible. He had the member set yesterday and is on duty again today.

## MR. J. P. WEAKS DEAD

After a Two Months Illness He Succumbed Today.

The Funeral Tomorrow Afternoon—Other Deaths.

Mr. John P. Weeks, of the wholesale grocery firm of Weeks brothers, died about noon today at his home 2131 Jefferson street from brain trouble, after an illness of two months. His condition for quite awhile had been critical and no hope had been entertained for his recovery for several days.

Mr. Weeks was forty-six years old, and was born and lived for many years at Tobacco, Tenn. He came here about twenty years ago, and was one of the best known wholesale grocers in this part of the country.

He had been twice married. The first time he was united to Miss Alice Alfut on February 20, 1882, at New Providence, Tenn. She died in 1888, leaving three children, one of whom since died.

On September 6th, 1896, he married Miss Nettie Lyle, a half sister of his first wife, and to them have been born two children.

Mr. Weeks was a quiet, gentlemanly man, and one who was respected by all who knew him.

The deceased also leaves a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Weeks, a brother, Mr. W. P. Weeks, and two sisters, Mrs. C. C. Smith and Miss Sarah Weeks.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the family residence, Revs. W. H. Pinkerton of the First Christian church and Rev. G. W. Briggs of the Broadway M. E. church officiating. All friends are invited.

The following are pall bearers: Active—W. P. Clark, G. C. Crumbaugh, C. C. Leigh, Richard Holland, W. E. Covington and W. F. Paxton. Honorary—E. P. Noble, J. W. McKnight, L. S. Dubois, Dr. S. B. Caldwell, E. Rehkopf and J. K. Bondurant.

Mrs. Lucy May Simmons, aged 26, died at 1236 Bernheim avenue this morning, and will be buried tomorrow morning at Oliver Chapel, Graves county. She was born in Paducah, but had been residing in Paducah for some time. She was married, and leaves a husband.

W. R. Ross died of pneumonia, at the age of 62 years, this morning, and will be buried tomorrow morning at the Fortson graveyard in the county.

## NEW PAPER.

IT WILL MAKE ITS FIRST APPEARANCE IN PADUCAH THURSDAY

Rev. G. W. Perryman of the city and Mr. J. L. Perryman, formerly of Fulton, have started a new paper, to be published every Thursday, and to be named the West Kentucky Herald. It will be a four column, eight page paper, and will be a Baptist publication, and one that will no doubt prove attractive and popular. Mr. J. L. Perryman formerly published the West Kentucky Times.

## JEWELER'S TRUNKS RIFLED

BETWEEN TEN AND TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS' WORTH OF DIAMONDS WERE TAKEN.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 20.—A special to the Pioneer Press from Glenview, Mont., says: "Robbers secured between \$10,000 and \$20,000 worth of unset and set diamonds today by stealing two trunks from the baggage room of the Northern Pacific station and breaking them open. Nothing is missing from the trunks except a bag of unset diamonds and 300 or 400 diamond rings. A tray containing twenty-four set diamonds was overlooked by the robbers. The trunks were the property of C. B. Clausen, traveling representative of S. H. Clausen and Co., wholesale manufacturing jewelers of Minneapolis. Mr. Clausen arrived from the East last night, and left his trunks in charge of the baggage agent. Four men were in the upper story of the station asleep, and the express agent slept in a room adjoining the baggage room, but none of them heard the robbers at work. The windows of the baggage room were forced open, and through it the two trunks, which weighed about 250 pounds each, were hoisted out. They were taken only a few feet from the station, where they were broken open and the diamonds taken. They were found early this morning. Local officers have made one arrest upon suspicion."

## HOME AGAIN

Louisville, Jan. 20.—Orville Lawson, of the defunct millinery firm of Barford and Lawson, who has been in Mexico since before the failure, returned home today.

## OPPOSITION PROBABLE

Some Members of the Board of Education Object to Report Now.

They Claim the City is Not in the Second Class Yet, and Want to Wait.

THINK THIRTY-FIVE CENTS TOO SMALL

No meeting of the Board of Education has yet been called to hear a report from the finance committee relative to the levy desired for running the schools during the next fiscal year. When one is called, which will only be at the request of three or more members, there is likely to be a lively time over the report.

Some of the members of the board are opposed to taking any action on any report the finance committee may bring in now, relative to the cost of running the schools.

The charter of the third class specifies that the board must at the regular meeting in March report to the council the amount of money needed to run the schools for the following year, and this is only January.

Under the second class charter the demand would have to be made to the council in January, or not at all, but the contention of some of the members is that the city is not in the second class yet, and as the board of education is working under the third class charter, it has no right to anticipate anything the legislature may do in regard to transferring Paducah to the second class, and at the present time attempting to work under the second class charter.

The reason this opposition has developed is that the members who will fight it do not believe that a thirty-five cent levy, the most that can be asked under the second class charter, under which the finance committee now wants to report, will be sufficient to run the schools, and if the board wants to make its report until the proper time, it can get more by working under the third class charter. If the board does not make a report now, the time will have passed when the city is formally transferred, and the board cannot be made to make its report under the second class charter until next year, and thus, it is claimed, can demand as much as a fifty cent levy if it desires. While it probably will want more than a thirty-five cent levy, however, it will doubtless not ask for the entire fifty cents.

## GOT A PARDON.

JACOB KAUFMAN WILL BE RELEASED FROM THE PENITENTIARY.

Mr. Joseph Ullman this afternoon received a telegram from State Senator Mc D. Ferguson stating that a pardon had been issued to Jacob Kaufman, a young Hebrew sent to the Eddyville penitentiary last April for obtaining money by false pretenses from D. J. Levy by representing that his mother was dying in Memphis. He secured only \$2, and was sentenced to three years.

Mr. Ullman and Mr. F. Gabriel had been working to get the pardon for several months, and their success is very gratifying. Kaufman will probably arrive here today or tomorrow.

BRIEF SESSIONS OF BOTH HOUSES.

Frankfort, Jan. 20.—There were brief sessions of both houses this morning. Several bills were introduced in the Senate. One provides for a board to examine applicants for admission to the bar, to be appointed by the governor at ten dollars a day while meeting.

ANOTHER ONE BOBS UP

Morganfield, Jan. 20.—Warren Dent, driver of a laundry wagon here, is heir to a fortune of \$150,000 from the estate of an uncle.

PHILIPPINE TARIFF

Washington, Jan. 20.—The Philippine tariff bill was this afternoon reported to the Senate.

ELEVEN TUNNELED OUT

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 20.—Last night eleven convicts tunneled out of the United States penitentiary on McNeil's Island.

MRS. M'KINLEY TO

BE PENSIONED.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The Senate committee has reported favorably on the bill giving Mrs. Wm. McKinley an annual pension of \$5,000.

THREE SAWED OUT OF JAIL

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 30.—One condemned murderer and three other prisoners sawed out of jail this morning.

## THE WEATHER.

Rain tonight and Tuesday. Warmer tonight.

## NOT DISCOURAGED

Commercial Club to Forward Papers to Washington.

Not Believed That a Final Decision Has Been Reached About Army Post.

The committee appointed by the Commercial club to get profile of land for the army post site with options, or which Councilman Charles Reed is chairman, will this evening or in the morning forward the papers to the war department, for submission to the army board that is to locate the site. City Engineer Wilcox drew the plans. Secretary Dains, of the Commercial club, stated this morning that he does not believe report that Chickamauga will be selected is final, even if it is authentic.

At least the Commercial club and council are not discouraged, and will prosecute the work just the same as if no such report had been published.

## FLOWER PARADE

There May Be One at the Elks Carnival in May.

The Contract Has Not Yet Been Let, But Will Be Let Monday.

The Elks committee have not yet gotten down to work, but many of the members have talked over the prospects, and think that the Elks Jubilee Carnival will be the greatest ever held in the state.

A committee on flower parade has been appointed, but it is not yet decided that there will be one. Unless the committee gets assurance that enough will enter to make it a success, the flower parade will be declared off. If it is given, there will be prizes from \$50 down.

Chief Spicler Ben Welle is going to prepare a list of spiclers, and where they must show themselves at the time designated, and expects every member to be there.

The Kangaroo court will prove one of the most amusing features, and doubtless one of the most profitable. One has never yet been given here as a carnival attraction.

The executive committee this morning met and decided that it would again have representatives of the Gaskill and Doetock companies here, and confer with them before the contract is finally let. This is done to get the best there is, and it is not certain yet which company will get it. A meeting will be held the 27th, and the contract will then be let without a doubt.

## THERE WAS A RUSH.

THE BALCONY FOR "FLORODORA" SOLD OUT EARLY THIS MORNING.

The people are getting quite metropolitan in Paducah in buying seats at The Kentucky. They have learned to line up at the theatre entrance like veterans, and this morning there were some out front waiting for Treasurer Hood at 7 o'clock, and there they remained until 9. In a short time, as soon as the seats could be sold, the balcony was sold out. Many of the seats downstairs went equally as fast, and it is the opinion of Treasurer Hood, from past experiences, that before morning the entire house will be sold, and for the second time this season standing room will be at a premium.

Try Dr. Jennelle's tooth powder. It is warranted to be the best offered to the public.

NO SENSATION.

ONE REPORTED DID NOT MATERIALIZE AT FRANKFORT.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 20.—The promised sensation in the Howard case did not materialize this morning, the only exciting incident of the morning session being when a stranger had a fit in the court room, yelling loudly and causing great confusion. J. B. Matthews concluded his testimony and other witnesses for the defense followed.

LAW ME, HUNNY!

HART SELLS RANGES AT \$25.00

HART, he am a DAISY!

\$25.00! YES, HUNNY! \$25.00!

YOU ax HIM!

The best range on the market for \$25.00, fully warranted. Trimmed with a full line of vessels.

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Ask HART for a Save Money Card.

Geo. O. Hart & Son

Hardware and Stove Company.

## MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN.

Secretary Escott Wants 350 By Next Month.

Friday Night the Campaign Will Probably Begin.

Secretary W. G. Escott, of the Y. M. C. A., is planning for a membership campaign. Friday night the matter of increasing the membership of the Association to 350 by the convention the latter part of the next month will be considered. In Lexington the members of the association arranged a similar campaign and secured 106 members in fourteen days. If the same good work can be done here the number can be easily reached. Every member will agree to talk to their friends of the association and its advantages and in this way secure the new members. The old plan of a membership contest is not satisfactory and for this reason will not be used.

The officers of the association are planning to have the bath accommodations remodeled and enlarged.

The grammar class will meet tonight at 7 o'clock and all members of the class are requested to be on time.

## RATHER ROMANTIC.

MAYFIELD GIRL SENT AWAY TO PREVENT AN ELOPEMENT.

A rather romantic story comes from Mayfield. It is reported that a prominent young lady has been sent away to prevent her marrying a young man her parents do not approve of.

It seems that the young lady had been receiving the attentions of a prominent young man of the place for more than six years, and it was considered settled that the two would marry, but the other young man appeared on the scene, and, according to report, gained her consent to elope.

She had moved her clothing to a friend's house, ready for the time set for the elopement, when her parents were apprised, and placed a guard over her in the shape of her sister. Every move was watched, and no amount of persuasion could turn her from her selected path. Finally her father packed her clothes and sent her away, and the next day the young gentleman left also, presumably for the same place.

## CHICKAMAUGA PARK

A REPORT HAS BEEN MADE TO SECRETARY OF WAR.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 20.—The annual report of the Chickamauga Chattanooga National Military Park Commission to the secretary of war is just made public. The report in part says:

"It appears from the report that we have now 77.86 miles of improved roads in the park. There has been expended for road construction and betterments \$11,077.37, which includes the laying of nearly four miles of standard paved guttering, the building of ninety-two head walls, with hammered stone coping, the hauling and spreading of 64,004 cubic yards of gravel, the construction of forty-two stone culverts, and the laying of 17,000 feet of stone revetment."

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## MR. SESSIONS RESIGNS

Foreman of the Illinois Central Car Department to Return to Chicago.

His Successor Mr. T. W. Baughan, of Louisville—Wrecked Engine Brought In.

OTHER NEWS OF THE RAILROADS

Mr. F. M. Sessions, the general foreman of the car department of the local Illinois Central shops, has tendered his resignation, effective the first of February. Mr. Sessions will return to Chicago, his home. He has been in the employ of the Illinois Central here for about two years or more, and is one of the company's most valued and popular men. His many friends will regret to learn of his intended departure from the city. He will, in all probability, be succeeded by Mr. T. M. Baughan, foreman of the wood working department at Louisville.

Engine No. 578, wrecked in the South Fork collision, was brought to the city last night, and was this morning placed into the round house for an overhauling and repairing. The damage on the engine is about \$500. It is a big six driver machine, and one of the largest on the road. It looks like a total wreck, and was damaged more by fire than by the turn over. The front end is stove in, and the cab and other woodwork burned entirely off.

Master Mechanic Barton is in Chicago today on business.

The Illinois Central has not missed paying a cash dividend since 1863. The annual dividends since 1864, have never been less than \$1,000,000. In no year since 1890 has the company paid less than 5 per cent. The Illinois Central and the Pennsylvania are the only lines which have paid their stockholders as much as 5 per cent every year since 1890. The earnings of the company for 1901 were 10.56 per cent on the capital stock. A financial paper estimates that the Illinois Central has paid \$92,754,000 in cash dividends since its organization.

COMING HOME TONIGHT.

MARSHAL CROW WILL RETURN WITH E. L. M'GEE.

E. L. McGee, arrested in Memphis last week on a bench warrant for alleged false swearing in the police court here, and for getting money by false pretenses from Mrs. George Rawleigh, by short-changing her, will be brought in tonight by Marshal Crow, who went after him yesterday. Marshal Crow telegraphed this morning that he will arrive here over the N. C. and St. L. at 8:30 tonight.

BIG FIRE IN MEMPHIS.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 20.—The entire plant of the H. Wetter Manufacturing company was destroyed by fire last night, the origin of which is not known. The plant consisted of six buildings, bounded by Carolina street, Florida avenue, Georgia street, and the tracks of the Illinois Central railroad company, and the value is estimated at \$25,000. On this the company carried a full line of insurance, amounting to 80 per cent of the total value of \$205,000.

FIRE IN SKYSCRAPER.

New York, Jan. 20.—Fire broke out last night in the building on Broadway occupied by Blumenthal and Steiner, manufacturers of artificial flowers and feathers, Roche, Croll and Co., manufacturers of neckties, and Samuel Polkoff, cloaks and suits. Fifteen of Polkoff's employees, at work on the fifth floor, were rescued with difficulty, and several firemen were overcome. The loss is put at \$75,000.

TWO OTHERS ARRESTED.

Norman Reed and Bob Dunlop, colored, were arrested this afternoon on a charge of being implicated in the shovel stealing affair, with boys arrested last week.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The Allen case is nearing a close, after having been on trial a week. The evidence was finished this morning, and arguments began. Two speeches a side will be made, the first argument by Attorney R. T. Lightfoot for the city, who will finish this afternoon. Greer and Reed will speak for the plaintiffs, and Attorney J. M. Worlen for the city.

The Kentucky and Tennessee Distilling company case against Bugg Brothers was dismissed and the attachment sustained.

The case of Barbara Weitlauf against W. M. Weitlauf was dismissed.

G. W. Grant, H. B. Bronough, R. B. Phillips, L. M. Rieke, L. Tedford were excused as petit jurors and the following persons substituted: James Lieberman, E. C. Rudolph, J. E. Ware, A. Grief, L. B. Brown.

The case of J. W. Jackson against Al Strickland was dismissed.

## KILLING AT MAYFIELD

Sister-in-Law Stabs Another at the Depot There Today.

She Claimed She Was Waiting For Her Brother—Full of Cocaine

Mayfield, Ky., Jan. 20.—The first fatal affray here for some time took place this morning at the Illinois Central depot, when Daisy Jackson, a negro, without warning walked up to her sister-in-law, Becky Jackson, and stabbed her in the right breast, fatally injuring her.

The murderer was full of cocaine, and claims she was waiting for her brother, Les Jackson, whom she had quarreled with and desired to kill. In her insane wrath, meeting his wife, she killed her instead.

She was committed to jail.

## NEW BUSINESS.

MR. D. J. LEVY OPENS A PAWN BROKER'S ESTABLISHMENT.

Mr. David J. Levy (the well known market square merchant, has opened a pawnbroker's establishment in connection with his other well established business.

Mr. Levy will conduct the business on business lines, lending money on all sorts of valuables, any piece of personal property.

Mr. Levy is one of the best known young business men in Paducah and has had great success in his line and that he will make a success of his new business no one doubts. As reference to his standing Mr. Levy offers Mr. Sam B. Hughes of the City National bank or Mr. W. F. Paxton of the Citizens' Savings bank.

Mr. Levy has always been prominent in athletic circles and is recognized as an authority on all sports.

## SEVERAL SMALL RIOTS.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 20.—An attempt on the part of the Terre Haute Electric company to run its cars on the city lines after a boycott was declared by the Central Labor Union resulted today in several small riots in the business center. Three cars were held up at Third street and Walsh avenue, and the non-union motormen and conductors were forced to leave the cars. The windows of the cars were broken by strike sympathizers, and the police were kept busy making arrests.

## A ROASTER'S CLUB

The young ladies of Mayfield are organizing a "Roasting club" or more proper a "Knockers" club. The members will affix some terrible punishment on those members who are found talking about another young lady. The club has not yet been formed but will be shortly and is organized to discourage gossip.

## PAINFUL ACCIDENTS

Son of Mr. U. S. Walston Buried Beneath a Pile of Shingles.

Found Unconscious By Several Companions—Another Boy Cut By Can.

AN ACCIDENT IN THE I. C. SHOPS

Emmet, the six-year-old son of Mr. U. S. Walston, was seriously injured yesterday, and for more than an hour it was thought that he had been killed.

The little fellow and several companions were playing hide and seek in the lumber yard, near Eleventh and Tennessee, and the Walston boy had hidden and had been searched for some time before he was "given up" by his companions cried out that he had been "given up," but he did not appear. They then began a search, and at length found his legs protruding from under several bales of shingles. He had climbed upon a pile of shingle bales, about ten feet high, and the pile had tumbled down. He was caught under them, and several bales fell on top of him, pinning him to the ground and rendering him unconscious. Doctors Pendley and Robertson were summoned, and after hard work brought him around. His head was badly mashed, a pile of shingles having fallen on it, and he was bruised and skinned in many other places. This morning he is much better, but is still in a serious condition. The little fellow was unconscious for over an hour, and his parents thought him dead.

The eight-year-old son of Mr. J. R. Graham, of the Werten addition, was playing with some other boys yesterday when one of them threw a tin can and struck him in the face. The ragged edges of the can cut the little fellow's face badly and it was found necessary to sew the face up in several places. The wounds bled profusely but the injuries are not serious.

Dr. Duley and Pendley dressed the injuries.

Mr. Charles Sands, of Huntington Row, an apprentice boy in the I. C. machine shops, was painfully injured this morning while at work in the shops. He was at work repairing an engine, when a large piece of iron, known as the "guide," became dislodged and fell on his left wrist. The wrist was cut to the bone.

The injury was dressed at the railroad hospital.

AGAIN ON DUTY

Prof. Benton, the principal of the Lincoln colored school, is again on duty after a two weeks illness. On account of no substitute being on hand his classes were dismissed until he recovered.



## Are Not Yet Over, So Why

Not prepare to meet them comfortably and warmly clad if you have not done so, when you can do so at WEILLE'S at so little cost?

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